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1. PROMPT RESPONSE TO OUR REFTEL SINCERELY APPRECIATED. UNFORTUNATELY, TOTAL CHARGES FOR FIRST AND SECOND QUARTERS FY73 DO NOT CORRESPOND TO AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY GIVEN US. ACCORDING TO REFTEL A, BILLS FOR FIRST AND SECOND QUARTERS, RESPECTIVELY, SHOULD BE \$15,300. AND \$33,800. UNDER INSTRUCTIONS, WE ALREADY HAVE PRESENTED GOU WITH BILLS FOR \$16,100 AND \$33,900 FOR THOSE QUARTERS.

2. IN ORDER TO MEET AUGUST 15 DEADLINE, WE WERE TEMPTED TO RIG THE FIGURES TO MATCH BILLS ALREADY PRESENTED. HOWEVER, THIS COULD CAUSE PROBLEMS ON FUTURE AUDITS. WE ALSO CONSIDERED SUBMITTING NEW, REVISED BILL BUT DECIDED NOT TO IN ORDER NOT TO RAISE QUESTIONS ON THE PART OF THE URUGUAYANS, QUESTIONS WE COULD NOT ANSWER. CONSEQUENTLY, WE WOULD APPRECIATE EITHER A NEW MESSAGE SIMILAR TO REFTEL A BUT WITH TOTALS ALREADY GIVEN TO GOU OR DETAILED EDP RUN WHICH WOULD GIVE US FIRM BASIS ON WHICH TO GO TO GOU WITH BILL REFLECTING NEW AMOUNTS, IF THEY ARE DEFINITIVE. GIVEN DEADLINE, PROMPT RESPONSE, EITHER WAY, WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

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3. AT THIS STAGE, WE MOST DESIRE TO AVOID EMBARRASSING QUESTIONS FROM GOU. SHOULD WE HAVE TO EXPLAIN BILL IN DETAIL, WE WOULD HAVE TO ADMIT THAT IT INCLUDES PCH AND T WHICH WE AGREE IS JUST BUT WHICH IS NOT INCLUDED IN FORMAL EXCHANGE OF NOTES. IN ADDITION, WE ARE CONFUSED AS TO SOURCE OF AMOUNTS ON SUP/OPS LINES IN REFTEL A. PARA 5, STATE 145791 STATED THAT PCH AND T IS COMPUTED ON BASIS TEN PERCENT OF FUNDED PROGRAM AND TEN PERCENT OF FAIR VALUE OF EDA WHEREAS SUP/OPS LINES OF REFTEL A SUGGEST IT BASED ON TEN PERCENT OF ACQUISITION COST. CLARIFICATION WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

4. WE ACKNOWLEDGE JUSTNESS OF PCH AND T AND ADMIT THAT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ORIGINAL BILLS AND THOSE IN REFTEL A ARE MINIMAL. HOWEVER, WE ARE COMPELLED TO GO BACK TO YOU FOR THE ABOVE IN ORDER TO KNOW WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT WHEN WE APPROACH URUGUAYANS.
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